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For: FLEXIBLE HOSE, IN PARTICULAR A )  
CHARGE AIR HOSE )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows: